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SUBJECT: UNSSOD PREPCOM V: APRIL 10 PLENARY MEETING
AND DRAFTING GROUPS; BARTON GROUP MEETING

- 1. IN FORMAL PLENARY SESESSN, APRIL 10 TURKEY MADE BRIEF STATEMENT EXPRESSING SUPPORT FOR DUTCH PROPOSAL FOR A STUDY ON A NEW INTERNATIONAL DISARMAMENT AGENCY, AND ALSO INDICATING GENERAL INTEREST IN THE FRENCH PROPOSAL FOR AN INTERNATIONAL SATELLITE AGENCY.
- 2. IN INFORMAL SESSION, THE PREPCOM TURNED TO A DISCUSSION OF THE FORMAT OF ITS DRAFT FINAL REPORT TO THE SPECIAL SESSION. THE CHAIRMAN SAID THAT THIS REPORT SHOULD BE CONCISE, FACTUAL AND OBJECTIVE. MEXICAN REP GARCIA ROBLES RECOMMENDED THAT THE REPORT SHOULD PROVIDE A COMPREHENSIVE OVERVIEW OF THE WORK DONE BY THE PREPARATORY COMMITTEE FROM THE OUTSET EVEN IF THIS INVOLVED SOME DUPLICATION OF MATERIAL CONTAINED IN THE REPORT SUBMITTED BY PREPCOM III TO THE 32ND UNGA. IN ADDITION TO TRANSMITTING THE DRAFT FINAL DOCUMENT AS DEVELOPED AT PREPCOM V, GARCIA ROBLES CONTINUED, IT SHOULD ALSO CONTAIN AS ONE OR MORE ANNEXES ALL THE DOCUCONFIDENTIAL.

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MENTATION SUBMITTED TO THE PREPCOM -- I.E., THE BACK-GROUND PAPERS PREPARED BY THE SECRETARIAT AND THE NATION-AL VIEWS SUBMITTED BY STATES AND GROUPS. CANADA AND POLAND QUESTIONED WHETHER IT WAS NECESSARY TO REPEAT ALL THIS MATERIAL AND ALSO ASKED FOR AN ESTIMATE ON FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS. THE CHAIRMAN SAID HE WOULD PROVIDE FURTHER RECOMMENDATION FROM THE SECRETARIAT ON

THESE MATTERS. DRAFT VERSION OF THE FINAL REPORT, HE SAID, WOULD BE CIRCULATED TO PREPCOM DELS FOR THEIR CONSIDERATION EARLY NEXT WEEK.

- 3. THE CHAIRMAN ALSO RAISED FOR FURTHER CONSIDERATION THE QUESTION OF WHETHER THE PREPCOM WANTED THE MAIN ELEMENTS OF THE DRAFT (I.E., DECLARATION, PROGRAM OF ACTION AND MACHINERY) TO BE IN ONE OR MORE THAN ONE DOCUMENT. INFORMAL CONSENSUS AGREEMENT WAS ACHIEVED FAVORED ONE CONTINUOUS DOCUMENT.
- 4. THE PROGRAM OF ACTION AND MACHINERY DRAFTING GROUPS CONTINUED THEIR DELIBERATIONS.
- 5. BARTON GROUP REVIEWED STATE OF DRAFTING ON DECLARATION ANDPROGRAM OF ACTION, AND HAD BRIEF EXCHANGE ON VIEWS ON DISARMAMENT MACHINERY. GROUP WILL MEET NEXT APRIL 12. YOUNG

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